

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the application so that it now complies with 37 CFR § 1.821 through 1.825. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.821, Applicants enclose copies of a sequence listing in both computer-readable and paper form. The replacement drawings are amended to include appropriate sequence identifiers that are consistent with the sequence identifiers in the sequence listing. The specification and claims are amended so that the sequence identifiers in the specification and claims are consistent with the sequence identifiers in the sequence listing. Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments and entry of the sequence listing and replacement drawings into the specification. No new matter will be added to the specification upon entry of the foregoing amendments and entry of the sequence listing and replacement drawings.

In accordance with 37 CFR. § 1.821(f) and (g) , Applicants state that the content of the computer readable (ASCII) form of the sequence listing submitted herewith is identical to the enclosed paper copy. Applicants also further state that the enclosed submission includes no new matter.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

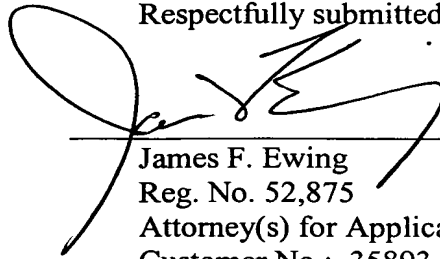
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Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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Amendments to the Figures

The attached sheets of drawings (see Appendix) include changes to FIGs 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 7 and 8. Where appropriate, sequence identifiers have been added to each of the above-referenced figures in compliance with the requirements of sequence rules 37 CFR § 1.821 through 1.825. No new matter has been added.

Attachment: Twenty-two (22) Replacement Sheets of Drawings